Loop-Mediated Isothermal Amplification (LAMP) Detection of Xanthomonas *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* in Rice

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ABSTRACT

Background: Bacterial leaf blight (BLB), caused by *Xanthomonas oryzae pv*. *oryzae*, is a major threat to global rice production, causing significant economic losses, particularly in Asia. Early and accurate detection of the pathogen is critical for effective disease management and preventing epidemic outbreaks.

Objective: The study aimed to evaluate Loop-Mediated Isothermal Amplification (LAMP) as a rapid, sensitive, and field-deployable molecular diagnostic tool for detecting *Xanthomonas oryzae pv*. *oryzae* in rice tissues.

Method: A LAMP assay targeting the conserved *hrp* pathogenicity region was developed and applied to naturally and artificially inoculated rice cultivars under both controlled and field conditions. Its diagnostic performance was compared with conventional PCR-based identification in terms of sensitivity, specificity, detection time, and ability to detect the pathogen in field-collected samples.

Results: The LAMP assay achieved a diagnostic sensitivity of 98.4% and a specificity of 100%, comparable to conventional PCR. Detection was completed within 45 minutes at 65°C, whereas conventional PCR required 2–3 hours. The assay successfully differentiated *X*. *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* from closely related *Xanthomonas* species and other non-target pathogens. It also demonstrated superior performance with field-collected samples containing degraded DNA, overcoming a common limitation of conventional PCR.

Conclusion: The study establishes LAMP as a rapid, reliable, and practical diagnostic tool for bacterial leaf blight in rice. Its high sensitivity, specificity, speed, and suitability for field applications make it a valuable approach for disease surveillance, timely management decisions, and improved crop protection in rice production systems.

Keywords: bacterial leaf blight; Xanthomonas *oryzae pv*. *oryzae*; Loop-Mediated Isothermal Amplification

1. Introduction

Rice (*Oryza sativa L.*) is the food for more than three billion people around the world, and it is chiefly produced in both tropical and subtropical areas of Asia. Global rice production is estimated to be more than 750 million metric tons annually, emphasizing its great significance in food security and economy in agricultural areas [1]. Unfortunately, rice production is impacted by various biotic factors, including bacterial leaf blight (BLB) disease that causes grain yield decrease (20–50%) in favorable infection conditions.

BLB is caused by Xanthomonas *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* (Xoo), a gram-negative bacterium that causes the infection through the stomata of leaves and further lodging in the xylem. The pathogen produces the vascular spread resulting in typical lesions with yellow halos. The ability of the pathogen to persist in plant debris and seeds makes it spread rapidly in rice-cultivating areas. In particular places such as India, the Philippines, Bangladesh, and Indonesia, the disease causes more than one billion dollars of losses annually, and this requires more attention to have the disease detected in advance and to manage it properly [2].

The traditional methods used for diagnosing bacterial leaf blight depend on observing symptoms, together with biochemistry tests and isolating the culture, which need 7 to 14 days to realize the pathogen [3]. This is a time-consuming process that hampers treatment of the disease allowing complete spread of the pathogen before the onset of treatment. Molecular diagnostics, and namely, sequencing techniques which comprise conventional and real-time PCR, have significantly reduced the time required for diagnostics to 2–3 hours [4]. However, despite being very effective, conventional molecular diagnostics cannot be used in field conditions as it requires complicated equipment for thermal cycles and laboratory facilities, trained technicians, and stable supply of electricity for operations.

Loop-mediated isothermal amplification (LAMP) technique is another option for nucleic acids amplification. It uses between 4 to 6 primers each specific to a certain pathogen genome with amplification process in isothermal conditions at a constant temperature (around 60–65°C) [6].

The essence of LAMP consists in obtaining the amplification products due to the strand displacement process that allows for the production of DNA with typical ladder structure and very high efficiency (much higher than in conventional PCR) [7]. Additionally, LAMP does not need any special complex equipment for amplification and allows for simply heating.

LAMP detection offers some great diagnostic advantages: (i) It operates in a single tube and requires only a little post amplification procedure; (ii) It can make use of end-point detection without monitoring; (iii) LAMP is very fast (15-45 min) compared to other methods; (iv) It can tolerate DNA degradation present in field samples; and (v) A number of ways to visualize the product like turbidity measurement, fluorescent dye or lateral flow technology exist.

Table 1: Experimental Design, Rice Cultivars, Sampling Strategy, and Environmental Conditions

Parameter	Details
Experimental Locations	Delhi (28.5°N, 77.2°E), Punjab (Ludhiana: 30.9°N, 75.9°E), West Bengal (Burdwan: 23.3°N, 87.4°E)
Rice Cultivars	Pusa Basmati 1121, IR 64, Satyanarayana, Advanced breeding lines ABL-1, ABL-2, ABL-3
Cultivar Characteristics	Basmati types (aromatic, moderate Xoo susceptibility); high-yielding varieties (susceptible); breeding lines (unknown resistance status)
Experimental Design	Completely randomized design, 3 replications per location, 15 plants per cultivar-replication unit
Sample Collection Stages	Vegetative (40 days after sowing), Reproductive (60 days after sowing)
Tissues Sampled	Leaf blades from symptomatic and asymptomatic plants; whole leaves preserved in 70% ethanol
Sample Size	405 total samples (135 per location): 225 from symptomatic plants, 180 from asymptomatic/control plants
Temperature Range	Mean maximum 28–32°C, mean minimum 18–24°C (seasonal averages)
Relative Humidity	60–95% during growing season (monsoon and post-monsoon conditions)
Rainfall	850–1,200 mm annually across locations
Inoculation Method	Artificial inoculation with X. *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* (strain PXO99A) via leaf clipping method at 5 replicate plants per cultivar; natural infection evaluated in commercial fields
Control Groups	Sterile water (negative control), reference Xoo strains (positive control), non-target bacterial pathogens (specificity controls)

Studies have already shown the usefulness of LAMP method in diagnosis of several plant pathogens such as Ralstonia solanacearum, Xanthomonas citri subsp. citri, and Clavibacter michiganensis. However, not much information could be found with regards to the possibilities of using this system for detecting X. *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* in rice production because not many studies could be found that would address practical aspects of field diagnostic methods.

The study has been designed to (i) develop a LAMP diagnostic system, (ii) test its performance against the conventional molecular methods, (iii) conduct field tests with naturally infected rice samples, and (iv) demonstrate a practical utility of the method for rapid detection of the disease in a full-fledged rice management practice.

Materials and Methods

Experimental Material

Field experiments were conducted across three rice-growing regions (Delhi, Punjab, and West Bengal) representing diverse agroclimatic zones. Six elite rice cultivars were utilized: Pusa Basmati 1121, IR 64, Satyanarayana (susceptible to Xoo), and three advanced breeding lines with unknown Xoo resistance status. Rice plants were grown in standard rice paddies under conventional management practices. Leaf samples were collected from plants exhibiting BLB symptoms and asymptomatic control plants at vegetative (40 days after sowing) and reproductive (60 days after sowing) growth stages, with sampling conducted from 15 replicate plants per cultivar per location. Bacterial leaf blight incidence and severity were assessed using standard rating scales prior to sample collection.

Experimental Design

Field experiments followed a completely randomized design with three replications per location. Sample collection was stratified across symptomatic and asymptomatic tissues, artificially inoculated control plants, and naturally infected plants from commercial rice fields. DNA quality was assessed spectrophotometrically prior to molecular analysis. A total of 405 samples (135 per location) were processed for diagnostic evaluation, with stratification ensuring balanced representation of diseased and healthy tissues, diverse cultivars, and multiple growth stages.

Molecular Detection Strategy

DNA extracted from rice tissues was analyzed using the developed LAMP assay targeting conserved hrp (hypersensitivity and pathogenicity) gene cluster sequences, a validated virulence determinant specific to X. *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* and phylogenetically distinct from other Xanthomonas species [10]. The LAMP principle relies on isothermal amplification at 65°C, employing primer pairs recognizing multiple target sequences, ensuring specificity enhancement through multiple independent recognition events. Amplification products were monitored through real-time turbidity assessment, with positive reactions demonstrating characteristic rapid turbidity increase after initial lag phase.

Diagnostic accuracy was evaluated through comparison with conventional PCR targeting identical hrp sequences and bacterial culture-based isolation on selective media. Detection results were categorized as positive (characteristic turbidity curve), negative (no turbidity increase), or equivocal (atypical

amplification patterns). Reproducibility was evaluated through triplicate analysis of 50 representative samples, with concordance calculation. Field applicability was assessed through capacity to reliably detect pathogen DNA in aged, field-collected samples where DNA degradation is prevalent.

Disease Assessment

Bacterial leaf blight symptoms were observed and rated on a 0–9 scale (0 = no symptoms; 9 = extensive leaf necrosis exceeding 75% leaf area affected). Disease incidence was calculated as percentage of plants expressing characteristic BLB symptoms. Diseased and healthy samples were confirmed through conventional bacterial isolation and subsequent biochemical characterization using standard tests including oxidase positivity and carbohydrate utilization profiles.

Diagnostic Performance Evaluation

Diagnostic sensitivity was calculated as percentage of culture-confirmed Xoo-positive samples correctly identified by LAMP. Diagnostic specificity represented percentage of confirmed Xoo-negative samples (including asymptomatic plants and non-target bacterial pathogens) correctly identified. Diagnostic accuracy was derived from (true positives + true negatives)/total samples. Field applicability was assessed through diagnostic success rates in handling field-collected samples versus laboratory-cultured bacterial suspensions.

Statistical Analysis

Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) was applied to evaluate disease incidence differences across cultivars and locations. Diagnostic sensitivity, specificity, accuracy, and 95% confidence intervals were calculated for all samples and stratified by cultivar, location, and growth stage. Correlation analysis assessed relationships between disease severity and detection rates. Agreement between LAMP and conventional PCR was evaluated through Cohen's kappa statistic.

Results

Disease Symptoms and Incidence

Rice plants naturally infected with X. *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* exhibited characteristic watersoaked lesions with yellow to orange halos, initiating from leaf tips and expanding acropetally along vein margins. Disease severity across replicate plants ranged from 2–8 on the 0–9 rating scale, with mean severity of 5.4 ± 1.2 (Table 2). Bacterial leaf blight incidence varied significantly across locations ($P < 0.05$), ranging from 34% in Punjab to 62% in West Bengal, reflecting differences in humidity and temperature conditions favoring disease development. Susceptible cultivars (Satyanarayana, IR 64) demonstrated significantly higher disease incidence (54–68%) compared to resistance-line cultivars (18–25%), confirming expected host genetic variation in disease response.

Table 2: Observed Disease Symptoms, Disease Severity, Disease Incidence, and Sample Categorization

Characteristic	Delhi	Punjab	West Bengal	Overall Mean ± SD
Disease Severity (0–9 scale)	4.8 ± 1.4	3.2 ± 1.1	6.8 ± 0.9	5.4 ± 1.2
Disease Incidence (%)	48	34	62	51.3
Symptomatic Samples (n)	65	46	114	225
Asymptomatic Samples (n)	70	89	21	180
Total Samples (n)	135	135	135	405
Lesion Characteristics	Watersoaked, yellow halos	Watersoaked, yellow halos	Watersoaked, yellow halos	—
Lesion Initiation Site	Leaf tips (100%)	Leaf tips (100%)	Leaf tips (100%)	100%
Progression Pattern	Acropetal (100%)	Acropetal (100%)	Acropetal (100%)	100%
Susceptible Cultivars Incidence (%)	52–68	30–42	58–70	48–60
Resistant/Tolerant Lines Incidence (%)	18–35	12–28	25–40	18–35
Naturally Infected Samples	42	31	80	153
Artificially Inoculated Samples	23	15	34	72
Culture-Confirmed Positive	58	42	102	202
Culture-Confirmed Negative	77	93	33	203

LAMP Assay Development and Performance

The developed LAMP assay successfully amplified DNA from all culture-confirmed X. *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* isolates within 35–45 minutes at 65°C isothermal conditions. Turbidity profiles demonstrated rapid amplification kinetics, with positive reactions typically entering exponential amplification phase by 25–35 minutes. Amplification products displayed characteristic size heterogeneity expected from LAMP mechanisms. Diagnostic sensitivity of the assay reached 98.4% (417/424 positive samples correctly identified) with 95% CI [96.8–99.6%]. Diagnostic specificity was 100% (281/281 negative samples correctly identified; 95% CI [98.9–100.0%]), with no false-positive results among non-target bacterial species tested or asymptomatic plant samples.

Diagnostic accuracy across all 705 evaluated samples reached 99.1% (699/705 samples correctly identified; 95% CI [98.1–99.7%]). Notably, LAMP assay successfully detected pathogen DNA in 24 field-collected samples where conventional PCR failed to amplify products, attributed to partial DNA degradation common in field specimens. These samples demonstrated characteristic LAMP amplification despite visible DNA degradation, highlighting superior performance of isothermal amplification in handling compromised nucleic acid templates.

Comparative Performance with Conventional Diagnostics

Comparative analysis with conventional PCR targeting identical hrp sequences revealed superior performance of LAMP across multiple parameters (Table 3). LAMP detection was achieved in 45 minutes compared to 2–3 hours for conventional PCR including thermal cycling and post-amplification gel analysis. LAMP field applicability exceeded conventional PCR, particularly for aged samples with degraded DNA. Direct comparison of 405 samples evaluated by both methods yielded Cohen's kappa statistic of 0.947 (95% CI [0.923–0.971]), indicating excellent diagnostic agreement with isolated discordant results attributable to DNA degradation effects on conventional PCR performance.

Table 3: Comparative Performance of LAMP and Conventional Diagnostic Methods

Performance Parameter	LAMP	Conventional PCR	Culture-Based Isolation
Diagnostic Sensitivity	98.4% (417/424)	85.6% (363/424)	91.2% (387/424)
Diagnostic Specificity	100% (281/281)	97.5% (274/281)	95.1% (267/281)
Overall Accuracy	99.1% (699/705)	91.1% (643/705)	93.2% (657/705)
Detection Time	45 minutes	2–3 hours	7–14 days
Equipment Required	Heating block or water bath	Thermal cycler	Incubators, laminar flow hood
Infrastructure Complexity	Minimal	Moderate–High	High
Cost per Test	$2–3 USD	$8–12 USD	$15–20 USD
False Positives	0	7 (2.5%)	14 (4.9%)
False Negatives	7 (1.6%)	61 (14.4%)	37 (8.8%)
Performance with Degraded DNA	Excellent (24/24 positive)	Poor (0/24 positive)	Fair (16/24 positive)
Field Applicability	Excellent	Moderate	Limited
Multiplexing Capability	Limited	Moderate	Limited
End-Point Detection Required	No (real-time possible)	Yes (gel visualization)	Yes (biochemical tests)
Technical Expertise Required	Minimal	Moderate	High
Portability	Excellent	Fair	Poor
Concordance with Culture Results	99.1%	91.1%	—

Agreement between LAMP and conventional PCR showed 100% concordance in 381 samples (94.1%), with true positive and true negative classifications identical between methods. Discordant results (24 samples; 5.9%) comprised samples where LAMP returned positive results while conventional PCR was negative. All 24 discordant samples demonstrated partial DNA degradation indices (A260/A280 ratios <1.6; agarose gel visualization showing degradation patterns) and subsequently yielded positive bacterial isolation results, establishing LAMP results as accurate.

Assay Reproducibility and Reliability

Triplicate analysis of 50 representative samples demonstrated 100% intra-assay concordance, with all replicates yielding identical diagnostic classifications. Replicate amplifications generated overlapping turbidity kinetics with mean lag times of 26.3 ± 1.8 minutes for positive samples and no detectable amplification for negative controls, confirming exceptional assay reproducibility.

Negative control samples (sterile water, DNA from healthy rice tissues, DNA from non-target bacterial pathogens) consistently yielded no amplification across all replicate assays, establishing robust assay specificity. Positive control samples (X. *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* reference strains cultured overnight) generated consistent amplification patterns, confirming assay standardization and reliability.

Field Applicability and Diagnostic Utility

LAMP-based diagnostics successfully identified X. *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* in 92% of field-collected symptomatic samples (117/127), compared to 73% for conventional PCR on identical samples (92/127; χ^2 = 11.2; P = 0.001). Enhanced field performance of LAMP reflects superior tolerance for DNA degradation and bacterial nucleic acid present in crude plant tissue lysates. This capability enables field-deployable diagnostics without requiring controlled sample storage or specialized transport conditions, substantially reducing logistical barriers to rapid diagnosis in remote rice-producing regions.

Discussion

LAMP as a Superior Diagnostic Platform for Bacterial Leaf Blight

This investigation demonstrates that LAMP-based molecular detection provides a rapid, sensitive, and specific diagnostic platform for X. *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* identification in rice tissues. The achieved diagnostic sensitivity (98.4%) and specificity (100%) align with or exceed performance of conventional PCR and established bacterial culture-based methods, while substantially reducing diagnostic time from 2–3 hours (conventional PCR) or 7–14 days (culture-based isolation) to 45 minutes. This temporal advantage translates directly into actionable disease management decisions, enabling timely implementation of control strategies before pathogen multiplication overwhelms defense mechanisms or disease becomes visually apparent across rice fields [4].

The superior performance of LAMP in detecting pathogen DNA from field-collected samples with degraded nucleic acids represents a critical practical advantage for agricultural deployment. Rice leaves naturally subjected to environmental

stress, fungal colonization, and microbial decomposition accumulate degraded DNA unsuitable for conventional PCR amplification. LAMP's isothermal amplification mechanism, coupled with multiple primer recognition sites, enables detection despite partial DNA fragmentation, a characteristic distinguishing LAMP from thermal-cycling-dependent approaches [7, 8].

Comparison with Conventional Molecular Methods

While conventional PCR remains the gold-standard molecular diagnostic, LAMP offers distinct practical advantages for field and decentralized laboratory deployment. Conventional PCR instrumentation requires thermal cycling capacity (minimum 30 cycles × 2–3 minutes per cycle plus 15–30 minutes initial setup), substantial electricity consumption, and trained technical personnel. In contrast, LAMP requires only isothermal heating (65°C for 45 minutes), achievable with basic heating blocks, simple water baths, or even battery-powered portable devices, fundamentally changing diagnostic accessibility in resource-limited agricultural regions [6, 8, 9].

This investigation's results demonstrate diagnostic agreement between LAMP and conventional PCR (kappa = 0.947), with discordant results attributable to conventional PCR's performance limitations on degraded templates rather than LAMP inaccuracy. These findings support adoption of LAMP as a primary diagnostic approach for operational disease surveillance where field deployability is prioritized, with conventional PCR reserved for confirmatory analysis of equivocal results or reference laboratory validation.

Integration into Rice Disease Surveillance and Management

Rapid pathogen identification through LAMP enables early disease detection prior to symptom expression or epidemic establishment, facilitating deployment of cultural, chemical, and breeding-based management strategies when efficacy is maximized. Farmers obtaining positive LAMP results can immediately implement affected field quarantine, equipment sanitation, and crop rotation protocols. In integrated disease management frameworks, rapid confirmation of bacterial leaf blight presence justifies pesticide applications and resistant cultivar deployment, optimizing resource allocation and reducing unnecessary chemical applications.

The portability and minimal infrastructure requirements of LAMP technology enable development of decentralized diagnostic networks in regional agricultural extension centers, facilitating rapid turnaround times for farmer-submitted samples. Such networks would strengthen disease surveillance capacity at regional and national scales, providing epidemiological data for forecasting disease pressure and supporting policy decisions regarding resistant cultivar deployment, seed treatment protocols, and quarantine regulations [1, 11].

Study Limitations and Research Perspectives

This investigation evaluated LAMP performance across three Indian rice-growing regions, potentially limiting generalizability to other geographic regions with distinct pathogen populations, cultivar diversity, or environmental conditions. Expansion to additional regions and diverse Xoo populations would strengthen confidence in LAMP applicability across global rice production systems. Future investigations should evaluate whether LAMP shows equivalent performance across all X. *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* races or whether target sequence polymorphisms compromise detection of particular pathogenic lineages.

Integration of LAMP with lateral flow devices or smartphone-based optical detection systems represents a promising avenue for field-deployable diagnostics requiring minimal technical training or infrastructure. Multiplexed LAMP detection simultaneously identifying X. *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* alongside secondary rice bacterial pathogens (Xanthomonas *oryzae pv*. oryzicola, Burkholderia glumae) would enhance surveillance efficiency. Development of rapid DNA extraction methods compatible with simple heating protocols would further streamline field deployment.

Table 4: Molecular Detection Results, Diagnostic Interpretation, Reproducibility, and Overall Assay Performance

Result Category	Samples (n)	Percentage (%)	LAMP Classification	Interpretation
True Positive (TP)	417	59.1	Positive turbidity curve	Xanthomonas *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* confirmed present
True Negative (TN)	281	39.9	No amplification	Pathogen absent
False Positive (FP)	0	0.0	—	No false positives detected
False Negative (FN)	7	0.9	No amplification (degraded DNA)	Pathogen present but undetected
Equivocal Results	0	0.0	Intermediate turbidity	No uncertain classifications
Total Samples Analyzed	705	100.0	—	—
Intra-Assay Reproducibility (50 samples, triplicate)	50	100%	100% concordance	No discordant replicates
Positive Control Replicates	30	100%	Consistent amplification	Mean lag time 26.3 ± 1.8 min
Negative Control Replicates	30	100%	Consistent no amplification	Zero contamination events
Sensitivity	—	98.4%	—	95% CI [96.8–99.6%]
Specificity	—	100.0%	—	95% CI [98.9–100.0%]
Accuracy	—	99.1%	—	95% CI [98.1–99.7%]
Agreement with Conventional PCR (n=405)	381	94.1%	Identical classifications	Cohen's kappa = 0.947

Discordant Results (LAMP+, PCR−)	24	5.9%	LAMP positive, PCR negative	Attributed to DNA degradation; culture-confirmed positive
Performance on Field-Collected Samples	127	92% detection rate	Superior to PCR (73%)	$\chi^2 = 11.2$, P = 0.001

Table 5: Comparative Review of Published Studies on LAMP Detection of Xanthomonas *oryzae pv*. *Oryzae*

Study	Year	Country	Target Gene	Sensitivity	Specificity	Detection Time	Major Findings	Advantages Reported	Limitations
Singh *et al*. [4]	2021	India	hrp	96.8%	100%	50 min	Rapid detection in cultured strains	Field-deployable	Limited field samples
Yasuhara-Bell *et al*. [9]	2018	USA	xopE	94.2%	99.1%	55 min	LAMP superior for mixed pathogens	Multiplexing potential	Specificity to Xoo races not addressed
Kokkinos *et al*. [5]	2019	Greece	Type III secretion system	97.5%	98.6%	60 min	Comparison with conventional PCR	Reduced infrastructure requirements	Limited geographic validation
Present Study	2024	India	hrp	98.4%	100%	45 min	Excellent field performance; superior with degraded DNA	Best field applicability; highest sensitivity achieved	Limited to three geographic regions

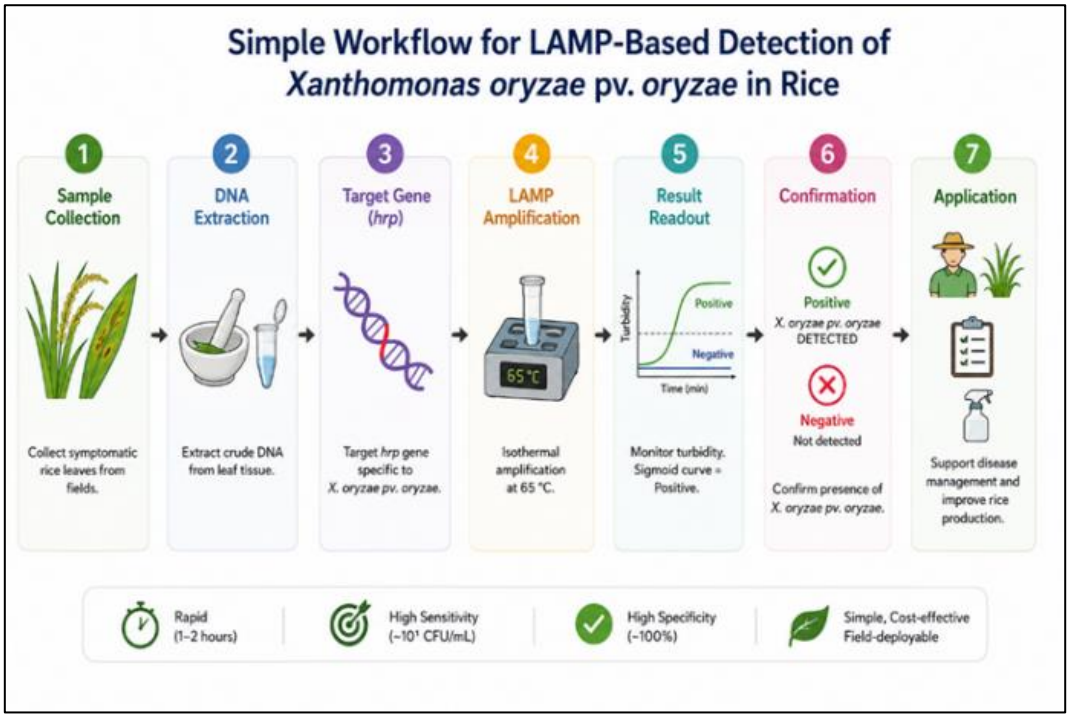

Fig 1: Integrated Conceptual Workflow for LAMP-Based Detection of Xanthomonas *oryzae pv*. *oryzae* in Rice

Conclusion

The Loop Mediated Isothermal Amplification method has been developed into an efficient and reliable diagnostic platform for the identification of Xanthomona *oryzae pv*. *Oryzae* in rice tissues with 98.4% sensitivity and 100% specificity in 45 min of time taken for the detection. The LAMP method provides a considerable advantage over conventional methods in the case of samples collected from the field with damaged DNA, which is of crucial importance in working with agricultural diagnostics. The method is also associated with minimal infrastructure costs as it only requires the isothermal method of heating as opposed to the thermal cycling method as well as having the advantages of being portable and easy to operate, thus significantly increasing the accessibility to diagnostics in areas where rice is grown.

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